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1. Location

The Kalinin Works, locally known as "Kalinin Zavod", is located on the left bank of the Dnestr river, north of the main railroad line that runs through the city parallel to the river. It is about three kilometers west of the main railroad station. To the west of the plant is a hilly, open area of detached houses. Approximately 300 meters to the south, on the other side of the tracks, is a meat plant which stands in a relatively open area. A cemetery lies directly east of the Kalinin Works.

2. Production

The factory compound is a relatively thickly built up area of mostly new buildings covering 350 x 150 m. The following items are produced or finished in the various buildings of the compound:

- a. Armatures for heating, canalization equipment, furnace doors, etc.
- b. Block brakes for streetcars and trains.
- c. Large boilers for street rollers (Strassenbau), 4 m long and 1.5 m in diameter and larger.
- d. Tractor spare parts and tractor overhauling (Überholungen).

3. Personnel

25X1X [REDACTED] 800 persons are employed on the day shift, and that only the foundry is worked at night with about 50 to 60 additional workers. Three to four general overhauls of tractors are carried out each week. Production amounts of other items is unknown [REDACTED] The plant draws its power from the E Works (see No. 2 on Attachment I).

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4. The Kalinin Works is divided into the following units:

- a. Joinery, a 10 x 20 x 5 m plastered building.
- b. Warehouse and workers' shelter, a 15 x 60 m, two-storied, sand-colored building.
- c. An old foundry, 20 x 60 x 12 m. Number of furnaces unknown to source.

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- d. Guard house.
- e. New building (1947), 30 x 100 x 8 m. Contains a mechanical workshop with 15 to 20 lathes, planing machines, and extra-work machines (Überarbeitungsmaschinen) for castings.
- f. New boiler house with 3 iron boilers 5 m high and 2 to 2.5 m in diameter. Chimney 35 m.
- g. Wooden camp sheds, 10 x 20.
- h. Office building with canteen, two-storied, 20 x 60 m, sand-colored plaster.
- i. New building (1948), still under construction, 35 x 100 x 20 m.
- k. Assembly hall, 40 x 120 x 10 m.
- l. Addition: garage for 3 trucks.
- m. Auto repair shop, wood, 10 x 25 m.

5. Further Observations 25X1X

From the Kalinin Works, traffic on the main Minsk-Orsha railroad line. about every two days an Orsha-bound train of 20 to 25 cars, loaded with disassembled barracks parts, passed by the plant. About twice a week a train of approximately 15 to 16 flat cars, coming from the direction of Orsha, and loaded with factory-new ZIZ trucks (Ford radiator form) and trailers, passed the plant going in the opposite direction. There were two trucks to each flat car.

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Encl: Attachment I (Map of Kalinin Works and Smolensk)

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KEY TO ATTACHMENT I

The following installations and establishments in Smolensk, including the Kalinin Works, are listed on the Attachment map according to the numbers given below:

1. Main Railroad Station

The new cinder block station on the left bank of the Dnepr river, just south of the railroad tracks (6 to 8 lines), covers a 20 x 60 m area and stands about 25 m high (?). At night neon lights spell out "Stantsiya Smolensk". The railroad yard and freight station stretches out towards the west in the direction of the Kalinin Works, at which point there are still 6 to 8 tracks. There is an increase of trackage between the station and the E Works. The double-tracked main line (up to Vyazma) is ballasted. Switches in the area of the shunting station are hand-operated. There are numerous switching houses between the tracks with women serving as switchers. The total length of the side tracks (sidings) is approximately 2.5 km.

2. E Works

The power plant is located directly south of the main body of tracks, a full kilometer west of the main station. It is a large, old, dark brick building with no apparent high-tension outlets.

3. RR Siding Station

This unimportant old station building is located about 1200 m west of the main station on the opposite side of the tracks. It is about 300 m NW of the E Works.

4. Alcohol Plant (Spritfabrik)

This plant, on the left bank of the Dnepr, is situated about 2000m SW of the E Works on the western edge of the residential part of the city. It is an old red brick building adjacent to a railroad spur and a large wood and peat yard. Estimated to be about 800 m south of the Kalinin Works.

5. Meat Plant

This plant is located approximately 300 m south of the Kalinin Works on the same railroad siding as the Alcohol Plant. It is a complex of red and white plaster buildings consisting of:

- a. Slaughter house, 20 x 40 m.
- b. Storage house, 20 x 60 m.
- c. Three-storied administration building, 20 x 50 m.

From this plant, three to four 4-axled refrigerator cars (Kühlwaggons) are loaded for Moscow weekly.

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6. Two Loading Ramps

These two ramps which straddle the track are located north of the yard area (Rangiergelände), and are without coverage or sheds.

7. Long Loading Ramp (30 m)

This ramp runs the entire length of the Kalinin Works (350 m).

8. Club House and PW Camp

This building was formerly Kalinin Camp No. 401. It is white plastered, 40 x 40 m, three-storied.

9. Cemetery with Destroyed Church

Covers a large area north and east of the Kalinin Works.

10. The Kalinin Works (See para 4 of report for description of installations)11. Historical Cathedral (See para 4 of report for description of installations)

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